

**MINUTES OF THE
WORKFORCE SERVICES & COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2008 8:00 A.M.
Room W015, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex**

Members Present: Sen. Mark Madsen, Committee Chair
Sen. Fred Fife
Sen. Patricia Jones
Sen. Dennis Stowell

Members Excused: Sen. Dan Eastman
Sen. Sheldon Killpack

Staff Present: Art Hunsaker, Policy Analyst
Rolayne Day, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Sen. VanTassell
Gordon Strachan, General Counsel, United States Ski Association
Rod Marelli, Executive Director, Utah Tax Commission
Dianne Nielsen, Governor's Energy Advisor
Phil Powlick, Manager, State Energy Program at Geological Survey
Michelle Beck, Director, Committee for Consumer Services
Jim Byrne, Partner, Westwind Wires

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Acting Committee Chair Stowell called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

1. S. B. 80, Ski and Snowboard Education, Development, and Promotion Special Group License Plate, by Sen. VanTassell

Sen. VanTassell introduced S.B. 80 to the committee and distributed an amendment to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Fife moved to amend the bill as follows:

Page 8, Lines 215 through 217:

215 (1) renumber Section 63-38f-206 enacted in this S.B. 80 to Section
 {~~63M-1-205~~} 63M-1-206 ; and
216 (2) change any internal cross references from Section 63-38f-206 to Section
217 {~~63M-1-205~~} 63M-1-206 .

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Madsen and Jones absent for the vote.

Gordon Strachan, General Counsel, United States Ski Association, spoke in favor of the bill. Questions and comments were heard from Sens. Fife and VanTassell, Mr. Strachan and Mr. Marelli..

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to send S.B. 80, as amended, out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

Comments and questions were heard from Mr. Strachan and Sen. Stowell.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Madsen assumed the Committee Chair.

2. S. B. 169, Renewable Energy Zone Task Force, by Sen. Stowell

MOTION: Sen. Stowell moved to amend S.B. 169 as follows:

Page 3, Lines 66 through 68:

66 (b) identify ~~{and}~~ , map , **and maintain in the State Geographic**
Information Database the location of areas in the state with the potential for
67 economically feasible electrical power generation from wind, solar, geothermal,
hydroelectric,
68 and biomass resources;

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Stowell explained the amended bill to the committee. Dianne Nielson, Governor's Energy Advisor, spoke in favor of the bill. Questions and comments were heard from Sens. Jones, Madsen, Stowell and Fife; Ms. Nielsen; and Phil Powlick, Manager, State Energy Program. Michelle Beck, Director of the Committee of Consumer Services, spoke concerning the lack of consumer representation on the task force. Sen. Stowell agreed to amend the bill on the floor of the Senate to address this concern. Jim Byrne, Westwind Wires, also spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Fife moved to send S.B. 169, as amended, out of committee with a favorable recommendation, and with the understanding that an amendment will be prepared for Senate floor debate to address representation of ratepayers and possibly other groups on the task force.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. H. B. 20, Economic Development Incentives Modifications, by Rep. Mascaro

Rep. Mascaro explained H. B. 20 to the committee.

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to send H. B. 20 out of committee with a favorable recommendation,.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Stowell absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved that H. B. 20 be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Stowell absent for the vote.

Committee Chair Madsen adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Minutes were reported by Rolayne Day, Secretary.

Sen. Mark Madsen, Committee Chair